

# \$6,750,000,000 WAR FUND PLANS BEFORE CONGRESS

## HAIG'S FORCES CRUSH FOE ON 40-MILE FRONT

Pierce German Defenses in Salient Between Arras and Lens

## ASSAULT MARKS NEW DRIVE ON BIG SCALE

English Strike for Douai While Pressing on Cambrai and St. Quentin

## TAKE THREE VILLAGES

Capture Hermies, Borsies, Fresnoy le Petit and Havincourt Wood

## VIENNA BREAKS OFF RELATIONS, U. S. INFORMED

Ambassador Penfield and Staff Receive Their Passports

## AUSTRIAN DIPLOMATS ASK SAFE CONDUCT

Berlin Wins Point in Demand That Ally Cut Relations

## CAPITAL NOT SURPRISED

Following a gigantic bombardment of the German positions between Arras and Lens, the British suddenly launched a new and powerful offensive on that front today.

## GERMANY SOUGHT BASE IN VIRGIN ISLANDS

Purchase of Danish Possession Prompted by Effort of Berlin to Establish Naval Foundation

## Fair Lands of France Turned Into Desert

Described in vivid and tragic colors by an eternal indictment against the Germans in their retreat toward the Hindenburg line

## Henry Bazin

Editorial in Ledger's special correspondence from France, in TOMORROW'S

## HOUSE LEADERS RAISE ISSUE OVER MAMMOTH SUMS ASKED FOR UNDEFINED WAR PURPOSES

Steps Taken to Raise \$1,750,000,000 by Direct Taxes—Loan of \$3,000,000,000 to Allies Contemplated—Bond Issue of \$2,000,000,000 Planned

Latin America Believed About to Join United States—Sea Raider Again Reported Off New England—Galveston Has Scare—Daniels Announces Full Co-operation With Entente

## HEAVY TAXES AND BOND ISSUES WILL SWELL U. S. WAR CHEST

AMOUNT to be raised—\$6,750,000,000. "Pay-as-you-go" plan to be employed.

America, on the fourth day of her participation in the world war, enlisted every executive and legislative activity to throw this nation's forces into the conflict.

## ALASKAN SCENERY HALTS BALL GAMES

Athletics and Phils Call Off Games in Baltimore and Washington

## MACK ARRIVES WITH TEAM

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL. Alaskan scenery, which was aided and abetted by a sincere and clinging snow storm, ruined a pair of ball games this afternoon in which a couple of Philadelphia clubs were to have been parties to the second part.

## SNOW CAUSES FATAL AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

Seventeen-Year-Old Driver Meets Death in Heavy Storm When Tire Blows Out

## COAL COMPANIES INDICTED UNDER ANTI-TRUST LAW

NEW YORK, April 9.—The Federal Grand Jury has returned indictments against another combination of coal companies under the Sherman anti-trust law, charging conspiracy in putting up the price of coal unduly.

## HOGS, SHEEP AND CATTLE PRICES SOAR

CHICAGO, April 9.—Hogs took the predicted jump today, opening from 15 to 20 cents higher.

## GUARD KILLS MAN PROWLING NEAR BRIDGE

SHAMOKIN, Pa., April 9.—Two men were shot by a National Guardsman on a Pennsylvania Railroad bridge today. They refused to stop when ordered to do so. One of the men died in a hospital.

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## GERMAN ENVOY EXCITED OVER BRAZIL'S STAND

RIO DE JANEIRO, April 9.—The German Ambassador late this afternoon emerged from a conference with the President of Brazil greatly agitated. He flatly refused to discuss the crisis between Germany and Brazil.

## DUMA VOTES TO CONTROL GRAIN TRADE

PETROGRAD, April 9.—The Duma voted today for Government control of the entire trade in grains and flour.

## SPAIN REMAINS NEUTRAL IN U. S.-GERMAN WAR

MADRID, April 9.—The official journal of the Government announced today that Spain would remain neutral in the American-German war.

## U. S. CENSORS MEXICAN MESSAGES

EL PASO, Tex., April 9.—Government recognition of the seriousness of the Mexican situation today took the form of a censorship instituted at local telegraph offices to censor all messages between Mexico and the United States.

## EMPEROR KARL ALSO PROMISES REFORMS

LONDON, April 9.—Emperor Karl of Austria will follow Kaiser Wilhelm's announcement of liberal internal reform promises, according to a Rome dispatch to the Evening Star today.

## WOULD GIVE \$5000 FOR FIRST FOE'S SHIP SUNK

WASHINGTON, April 9.—Representative Gould, New York, today introduced a bill providing for the distribution of \$5000 in prize money to the crew of any American vessel that destroys the first enemy ship.

## SENTRIES FIRE ON PROWLERS ABOUT BRIDGE

Blinding Blizzard Spoils Aim in Two Fusillades at Skulkers

## TRAILS ARE LOST IN SNOW

Stay-at-Homes to Organize Corps for Local Defense—Clearing House for Activities

Prowlers were twice fired upon by sentries guarding the western end of the big concrete bridge of the Pennsylvania Railroad spanning the Schuylkill River near Girard avenue during the height of the snowstorm early today.

The blinding blizzard marred the aim of the sentries. No hits were scored. Tracks were found in the snow, but search for the prowlers was ended by the heavy snowfall that obliterated the trails.

## AMERICAN-OWNED SHIP SINKS U-BOAT IN FIGHT

Duel Between Vessel and Submarine Ends in Destruction of Latter

## SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.

An American-owned ship, for the first time since the beginning of the war, has sunk a German submarine.

The Standard Oil tanker Sequoia, American-owned, though of British register, has arrived here from London, bringing the story of a furious battle with a U-boat off the Cornish coast.

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